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Mr. Jeffrey T. Richelson
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Reference: F89-0062

Dear Mr. Richelson:

During its search for documents in response to your Freedom of Information Act request dated 14 October 1988, the Defense Intelligence Agency located documents originated by this agency and referred them to us for review and direct response to you.

Enclosed, Tab A, are documents 1 through 12 which are being released to you in their entirety.

Enclosed, Tab B, are documents 13 through 17 which are being released to you in segregable form. Deletions have been made from documents 13 through 16 on the basis of the (b)(1) and (b)(3) exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act and from document 17 on the basis of the (b)(3) exemption. An explanation of the Freedom of Information Act exemptions is enclosed, Tab C.

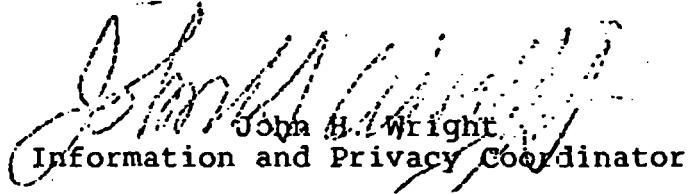
In addition there are properly classified documents exempt from release on the basis of the (b)(1) and (b)(3) exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

The CIA officials responsible for the above determinations are Lee E. Carle, former Directorate of Operations Information Review Officer, Donald R. McCrory, Director, Management and Planning, Directorate of Science and Technology, and Kathryn I. Dyer, Directorate of Intelligence Information Review Oficer. You have a right to appeal the above determinations by addressing your appeal to the CIA Information Review Committee, in my care. Should your decide to do this, please explain the basis of your appeal.

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Thank you for your patience and consideration while we were
processing your request.

Sincerely,



John B. Wright
Information and Privacy Coordinator

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((TEXT)) SANTIAGO, CHILE, 21 SEP--GEN AUGUSTO PINOCHET, PRESIDENT OF THE GOVERNMENT, TODAY FLATLY DENIED THAT ANY FOREIGN GOVERNMENT HAD INTERVENED IN THE 11 ONE ONE SEPTEMBER COUP. GENERAL PINOCHET, COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES, MADE THIS STATEMENT TO FOREIGN NEWSMEN THIS MORNING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HELD IN THE MAIN HALL OF THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

A U.S. NEWSMAN ASKED ABOUT POSSIBLE U.S. INTERVENTION IN THE OVERTHROW OF THE POPULAR UNITY GOVERNMENT IN CHILE. THE PRESIDENT OF THE JUNTA REPLIED:

"OURS WAS A NATIONAL MOVEMENT. NEITHER THE UNITED STATES NOR ANY OTHER COUNTRY WAS INVOLVED. THE SECRET WAS SO WELL KEPT THAT NOT EVEN MY WIFE KNEW WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN. IT WAS OUR PROBLEM AND NO ONE ELSE'S."

THE GENERAL AGAIN POINTED OUT THAT THE ARMED FORCES WERE COMPELLED TO ACT BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT WAS LEADING THE COUNTRY TO CHAOS. THE COUNTRY WAS IN MORAL, ECONOMIC, AND SOCIAL DANGER. THE ARMED FORCES COULD NOT REMAIN ALOOF FROM THE SITUATION.

HE SAID THAT THE DECISION HAD NOT BEEN ADOPTED JOYFULLY. HE SAID, "WE THE COMMANDERS IN CHIEF HAVE REACHED THE SUMMIT OF OUR CAREERS. WE COULD HAVE LOOKED FORWARD TO RETIREMENT AND IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER FOR US TO REMAIN QUIET...HOWEVER, SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR ALLENDE TALKED ABOUT DIALOG BUT HIS POLICY DID NOT CHANGE. HE SAID HE WAS OPPOSED TO CIVIL WAR, AND YET AT HIS TOMAS MORO RESIDENCE AS WELL AS AT THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE THERE WERE VERITABLE ARSENALS.

"EVERYTHING WAS READY FOR A CIVIL WAR. OURS WAS A PREVENTIVE ACTION TO WARD OFF A REVOLUTIONARY ACTION." GENERAL PINOCHET SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT'S MAIN GOAL WAS TO RETURN THE COUNTRY TO ECONOMIC WELL-BEING. HE REPEATED THAT 48 FOUR EIGHT HOURS AFTER THE OVERTHROW OF THE ALLENDE GOVERNMENT THE SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY WAS PRACTICALLY NORMAL.

"TODAY," HE SAID, "NATIONAL ACTIVITY HAS BEEN REVIVED. WE MUST ORGANIZE INTENSE NATION-WIDE PLANNING. THIS HAS ALREADY BEGUN AND SOON WE CAN LET THE PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT THESE PLANS."

FINALLY, HE SAID THAT THE JUNTA WILL MAKE IT A POINT TO RETURN THE COUNTRY TO CIVILIANS ONCE IT IS COMPLETELY RECOVERED. HE DID NOT SPECIFY ANY DATE, HOWEVER, AND SAID, "WHEN A MAN IS ILL CAN YOU PREDICT WHEN HE WILL BE CURED?" 211821
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